

## Loudoun County Fire and Rescue System Guideline

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Purpose: To establish the system advisory role for the Loudoun County

**Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Advisory Council,** 

Incorporated.

## Guideline:

- 1. The Loudoun County EMS Advisory Council, Incorporated shall be a principal advisor to the Fire and Rescue Commission on emergency medical services and rescue matters.
- 2. The Fire and Rescue Commission delegates the following authority to the Loudoun County EMS Advisory Council, Incorporated:
  - Appointment of the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue System Operational Medical Director (OMD) and Assistant Medical Directors, as may be required
  - Appointment of Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Northern Virginia Regional Emergency Medical Services Council
  - Management and distribution of the local reimbursement portion of Fourfor-Life program funding.
  - 3. The Operational Medical Director, acting under the authority granted

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by the Commonwealth of Virginia, Office of Emergency Medical Services Rules and Regulations, shall develop operational medical policies and protocols, EMS training standards and guidelines, and medical quality assurance programs for the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue System.

- 4. The EMS Council shall also be responsible for the development of training and operational standards for rescue operations, including vehicle extrication, water rescue, and other technical rescue disciplines. Rescue training and operational standards shall be submitted to the Fire and Rescue Commission for review and approval.
- 5. The EMS Council shall maintain a committee of Chief Rescue Officers. This committee and the Council shall provide the Commission with advice and recommendations regarding the efficient and effective operation of the County's fire and rescue system.
- 6. The Chairman of the EMS Advisory Council or in his absence, the Vice Chairman of the Council or the Chairman's designee, shall be the recognized spokesman on all Council before the Fire and Rescue Commission.

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